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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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[	] is attached hereto.		
[X	] was filed on March 31, 2000	as	s
	Application Serial No.: 09/539,932		
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information known to me that is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application of which priority is claimed:

## NONE

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 1.56(a) which became available between the filling date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filling date of this application:

This application is a continuation-in-part of 09/306,866 filed 5/7/99 and 09/373,112 filed 8/11/99, the latter being a continuation-in-part of 09/292,532 filed 4/15/99, which is a continuation-in-part of 09/103,342 filed 6/23/98 and 09/052,545 filed 3/31/98 and 09/047,012 filed 3/24/98, the last of which is a continuation-in-part of 09/012,287, filed 1/23/98, now U.S. Patent Number 6,051,019 issued April 18, 2000.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that those statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and or agents(s) with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute said application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and all business related to non-United States national, regional, and international patent applications corresponding therewith.

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